



City of Santa Clara

The Center of What's Possible

EL CAMINO REAL SPECIFIC PLAN

Community Meeting

Meeting #3 Summary

*Central Library, Redwood Room
1500 Warburton Avenue, Santa Clara, CA 95050
December 13, 2018 | 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm*

Meeting Objectives

Review and discuss right-of-way alternatives.

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Right-of-Way Alternatives:

- How will we remove the on-street parking?
- Refer to BRT study that may have included data on removal of on-street parking.
- Show examples of where it was removed – Redwood City/Sunnyvale
- Why was 3A and 3B removed?
- What is the bicycle master plan and how will it connect to ECR?
- Can we keep on-street parking at nodes?
- Where can we eliminate on-street parking?
- What percentage of ECR is being utilized by on-street parking? 10%-15%
- Is the raw data on the parking utilization study available?
- Let City Council know that the group forward 3A, but most of members were glad that this lane removal option was gone.
- The first CAC meeting discussed the vision of lane removal in the future. Add lane removal for a boulder vision in 15-20 years out.
- Balance what we need today, as opposed to 20 years from now. Design parking spaces to be convertible to a different use when not needed.
- ECR needs to change in character to not be a thoroughfare.

- New develop should be more walkable.
- More bike share and scooters will encourage people to use bike lane.
- Opportunities for north and south bicycle connection to ECR.
- Bike lane would bring vibrancy.
- Concerned about a narrow median. Staff clarified that the median is only narrow at left turn intersection.
- With multiple activity centers, walking/biking to each one is not that far.
- Keep trees in center median.
- Consider two-ways bike lane on one side of ECR like San Tomas Expressway. – Might save space
- Walkable/vibrancy – will people want to walk on a large sidewalk? Blending life with concrete by adding benches and public art.
- Why are we changing the state highway?
- Consider transition to and from our neighboring cities – SJ and Sunnyvale.
- Communicate the vision as this is the first step in a longer process.
- Agree that we should have the bike lane
- Keep all travel lanes – if the plan is to change it then it should be a highway
- ZA is without 3A/3B being an option.
- None of the option represent our vision – not everyone agreed about the lane removal or more intense development.